## A RESOLUTION BY THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD OF GEORGIA 2006

## OCMULGEE-PIEDMONT SCENIC BYWAY — DESIGNATED.

WHEREAS, the Jones County – Gray Chamber of Commerce, with support from the Development Authority of Jones County, the Jones County Commission, the Cray City Council, and the Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge, applied for Georgia Scenic Byway designation for a 21-mile route traversing State and County roads in Jones County; and

WHEREAS, this route possesses four Scenic Byway intrinsic qualities – scenic, natural, historic, and recreational; and

WHEREAS, the Ocmulgee-Piedmont Scenic Byway Committee has worked with the citizens, organizations and local governments in the proposed byway area to develop a route and prepare a Corridor Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Ocmulgee-Piedmont Scenic Byway Committee has involved the Georgia Scenic Byway Program and Georgia Department of Transportation staff in the development of the route, application, and Corridor Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the locally-approved Corridor Management Plan incorporates or identifies appropriate strategies, goals, priorities, objectives, schedules, programs, and agreements to protect and enhance the Scenic Byway features; and

WHEREAS, Section 1047 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) established a Scenic Byways Program under Title 23, United States Code, and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) continues the program under Sections 1101(a)(12) and 1802; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation is the designated Scenic Byway Agency for the State of Georgia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 21-mile route that begins at Gray Depot on Georgia Highway 11 and continues north to the Bradley, Wayside, and Round Oak communities; then intersects Round Oak-Juliette Road; and proceeds west on Round Oak-Juliette Road through Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge to its terminus at the Ocmulgee River; be designated as a Georgia Scenic Byway, and hereafter be known as the "Ocmulgee-Piedmont Scenic Byway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and the Commissioner of Transportation be instructed to install appropriate signs designating this facility.

Adopted this the 14th day of December 2006.

